

ABSTRACT

There is provided a pharmaceutical drug,
particularly a novel compound useful for prophylaxis or a
5 therapeutic treatment of various diseases involving
infections with viruses of the herpesvirus family,
specifically various herpesvirus infections such as
varicella (chicken pox) via varicella zoster virus,
varicella zoster via recurrent infection with latent
10 varicella zoster virus, herpes labialis and herpes
encephalitis via HSV-1 and genital herpes via HSV-2
infection.

An N-{2-[(4-substituted phenyl)amino]-2-
oxoethyl}tetrahydro-2H-thiopyran-4-carboxamide derivative,
15 of which phenyl group is substituted at position 4 with a
specific 5- or 6-membered heteroaryl group, and a salt
thereof have an effective anti-virus activity, and the oral
administration thereof at a low dose enabled the
therapeutic treatment of the above diseases.